

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 438

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Specialist Jeremy Tomlin, United States Army.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely death of Specialist Jeremy Tomlin, a courageous member of the United States Army who gave his life in service to our nation; and

WHEREAS, following in the patriotic tradition for which our nation's finest sons and daughters are renowned, Specialist Jeremy Tomlin was a brave and honorable member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, a son of the Volunteer State, Specialist Tomlin was born in Murfreesboro and raised in Unionville near Chapel Hill in Marshall County; and

WHEREAS, twenty-two-year-old Specialist Tomlin was assigned to C Company 12th Aviation Battalion at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He lost his life when a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter that he served as crew chief unexpectedly went down; and

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure our individual and collective freedom, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Jeremy Tomlin's dedication to excellence in the military and his love of family, his fellow soldiers, and his country are exemplified in his sacrifice of life itself in defense of all that he held dear and stand as enduring examples of all the characteristics that have ensured the continued freedom of our nation and the preservation of its ideals over the course of our history; and

WHEREAS, this valiant American leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, he will be dearly missed by his beloved wife, Jessica Mae Tomlin; his mother, Jenny Lynn Tomlin; his sisters, Kaitlyn and Kayla Tomlin; and his grandparents, Ronnie and Teresa Tomlin; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Jeremy Tomlin served with courage and gallantry and deserves proper recognition for his heroism in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the singular patriotism, courage, and commitment to duty of this exceptional soldier and human being, the late Specialist Jeremy Tomlin, United States Army, whose loss is mourned by a grateful nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor the memory of Specialist Jeremy Tomlin, a man of impeccable character and limitless courage who stalwartly committed himself to the defense of his nation as a member of the United States Army.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Specialist Tomlin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.